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SUBJECT: (U) SOVIET INTENTIONS TOWARD AFGHANISTAN:

(C-ENTIRE TEXT.)

INTENDS TO TRANSFORM AFGHANISTAN INTO
A CLIENT STATE ALONG THE LINES OF POLAND.

THE SOVIETS WILL
ALLOW THE NEW REGIME SOME INTERNAL MANEUVERING-ROOM ON
ACCOUNT OF THE STRENGTH OF NATIONALIST AND RELIGIOUS
IDENTITY IN AFGHANISTAN. TO IMPOSE TOTAL SOVIET DOMINATION
ON THE MODEL OF, SAY, MONGOLIA WOULD REQUIRE PERSVASIVE
FORCE AND SUBSTANTIAL BLOOD-LETTING AND WOULD AROUSE
HOSTILITY AND SUSPICION AMONG AFGHANISTAN'S MUSLIM
NEIGHBORS.

3. ANTICIPATING A LONG-TERM SOVIET-LED EFFORT TO
PROPAGANDIZE THE AFGHAN PEOPLE, THE
WEST SHOULD MAINTAIN AND, IF POSSIBLE, STRENGTHEN ITS
OWN EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN AFGHANISTAN.

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MOREOVER, THE WEST SHOULD TREAT AFGHANISTAN AS AN

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